

REMARKS

Claims 1-12 and 42-64 are pending in the above-identified application. Claims 1, 7, 9 and 11 have been amended. Claims 13-41 were previously canceled without prejudice to later presentation of these claims in a divisional patent application.

Applicant would like to express his appreciation to Examiner Jarrett for the time spent conducting interviews with Applicant's attorney, Larry Meier, on October 30, 2008 and on November 7, 2008. During the interview, possible changes to the claims to place them in condition for allowance were discussed. Agreement was reached that the pending claims, as amended above, would be allowable.

Conclusion

Claims 1-12 and 42-64 are now in condition for allowance for the reasons discussed above. Prompt issuance of a Notice of Allowance is, therefore, respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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